

## January Calendar

### COMMISSION MEETING IS TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2006 AT 8:00 PM

Education Committee.....First Tuesday of the month, at 7:00 pm (01/03/06)  
 Parks & Recreation Committee.....Third Thursday of the month, at 7:00 pm (01/19/06)  
 Planning & Zoning Board ..... Last Tuesday of the month, at 7:00 pm (01/31/06)  
 Tourist Bureau,..... Third Monday of the month at 9:30 am (01/16/06)

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday.....Monday, January 16, 2006**

Town Hall and the Surf-Bal-Bay Library will be closed in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday

The Community Center and Pool will be open

The Tennis Center will be **CLOSED**, unless advance appointments are made

Crime Prevention Workshop.....Thursday, January 19, 2006  
 Surfside Municipal Building, Commission Chambers

Family Fun Day.....Sunday, January 29, 2006  
 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, Novack Park (9572 Bay Drive)

Please note that all times & dates listed, except Town Commission meetings, are tentative and subject to change.  
 Please verify the information by contacting Town Hall at (305) 861-4863, or visit  
 our Website at [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov) for updates..

#### TOWN COMMISSION

TIMOTHY WILL	MAYOR
FRANK MACBRIDE	VICE MAYOR
RUBEN COTO	COMMISSIONER
ORESTES JIMENEZ	COMMISSIONER
STEVEN LEVINE	COMMISSIONER

#### TOWN OFFICIALS

JEFF SMOLANSKY	TOWN MANAGER
BEATRIS ARGUELLES	TOWN CLERK
STEPHEN H. CYPEN	TOWN ATTORNEY
SHAWN P. O'REILLY	ACTING POLICE CHIEF

#### BUSINESS NUMBERS

TOWN HALL	(305) 861-4863
COMMUNITY CENTER	(305) 866-3635
TENNIS COURTS	(305) 866-5176
TOURIST BUREAU	(305) 864-0722
LIBRARY	(305) 865-2409
SURFSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT	(305) 861-4862

#### EMERGENCY ONLY

FIRE/POLICE	(305) 861-1115
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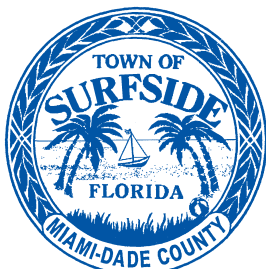
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# Surfside<sup>Town</sup> Gazette

9293 Harding Avenue

Surfside, Florida

January 2006

## Happy New Year!

### FROM THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Surfsiders,

**Snow on the beach**, who would have thunk it? But that's precisely what Tim Milian and his great Parks and Recreation Department brought to the kids of Surfside in December. If the delighted squeals of children, many of whom had never seen so much of the cold stuff, is an indicator, then the Surfside Holiday Extravaganza was a huge success!

If the contracts can be agreed upon, the Surfside Commission has unanimously selected a new Town Manager to replace the departing Jeff

Smolansky. We have chosen a very experienced Manager of a Florida beach front community, similar in many ways to Surfside. I'll tell you more about him next month when the ink is dry.

Congratulations to Accounting Manager **Bella Carcasses** and **Alyce Jones**, the Town's long time, independent CPA. **They have just been awarded the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting, the Award of Financial Reporting Achievement.** After being reviewed by an impartial panel, it was

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### POLICE CHIEF LAWRENCE BOEMLER RETIRES

Surfside Police Chief Lawrence (Larry) Boemler retired on December 16, 2005, after dutifully serving the Town of Surfside, for the past ten years, with dedication and compassion. Chief Boemler came to the Surfside Police Department after a long and stellar career in law enforcement. He retired from the City of Miami Police Department as an Assistant Chief. After an illustrious career in Miami, Chief Boemler spent many years with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the Village of Key Biscayne Police Department, before joining the Surfside Police Department.



*Surfside Police Chief Lawrence R. Boemler*

During his tenure, Chief Boemler remained steadfast in upholding and executing the principles and practices of community policing. To his credit, the Surfside Police Department maintained an exceptional emergency response time and extremely low crime rate.

Due to his keen intelligence and professional capabilities Chief Boemler garnered much praise and respect from his staff, his colleagues and Surfside residents. The entire community and employees of the Town will miss him. Together, we extend our sincere gratitude to Chief Boemler for his outstanding leadership



### ELECTION NOTICE



The Town's Commission election is scheduled for Tuesday, March 21, 2006. In this election, each candidate will be running for a specific seat. The seats are as follows:

<b>Mayoral Seat:</b>	<b>Timothy R. Will</b>
<b>Seat # 1</b>	<b>Frank MacBride</b>
<b>Seat # 2</b>	<b>Ruben Coto</b>
<b>Seat # 3</b>	<b>Steven Levine</b>
<b>Seat # 4</b>	<b>Orestes Jimenez</b>

The qualifying period for this election is from Wednesday, January 25, 2006 to Tuesday, February 14, 2006.

Candidate packages are available from the Town Clerk during the qualifying period. Any candidate who wishes to run for office must identify the seat he or she wishes to run for and submit a completed candidate package by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 14, 2006.

For more information, please contact the Town Clerk at (305) 861-4863.

and wish him and his family all the best in the years ahead.



*Departing Surfside Police Chief Lawrence Boemler accepts a Meritorious Service Award/Certificate of Merit Achievement from Acting Police Chief Shawn P. O'Reilly*



## SURFSIDE COMMISSION HIGHLIGHTS



### 1. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Town Manager announced that the Town Commission held a Beach Walking Path Workshop. Several options were presented and he requested direction from the Town Commission on a course of action. The Town Commission directed the Town Manager to schedule a final workshop regarding the beach walking path.

Regarding the Landscape Architect that will design a landscape plan for the Town, the Town Manager recommended Miller Legg and requested authorization to negotiate a contract. The Town Commission granted the Town Manager permission to negotiate a contract to bring back to the Town Commission for approval.

Regarding the street sweeper, the Town Manager announced that he is meeting with companies to select a sweeper and will have a purchase recommendation at the next meeting.

The Town Manager announced that the Town owns several surplus computers that have been taken out of inventory. The Town Commission declared the computers surplus and directed the Town Manager to donate the machines to an organization that is worthy of and desires the computers.

The Town Manager announced that repairs at Novack Park were being completed and repairs at Hawthorne Park would start soon.

The Town Manager announced that the broadcasting of Town Commission Meetings would begin in January, barring any unforeseen circumstances. He noted that the cable company was delayed in the project due to the hurricane, but they have pulled all the necessary permits and the repairs should be completed by the end of the week.

The Town Commission waived competitive bidding and authorized the Town Manager to purchase two, 2006 Ford F150 Pick up Trucks for a total of

\$22,416 off the State/Local contract

The Town Commission waived competitive bidding and authorized the Town Manager to piggyback on the North Palm Beach and Broward County Contracts with the Shenandoah Company for storm drain cleaning and video telescoping of the drains.

The Town Commission waived competitive bidding and authorized the Town Manager to piggyback on the State and Local Contracts with Weekley Asphalt for the roadway milling and restriping work for the Town.

#### **The Town Commission approved the following Ordinance on Second Reading:**

2. An Ordinance of the Town of Surfside, Florida, amending Chapter 90 "Zoning," of the Town Code by amending Section 90-37 "Permits, Plats and Filing Fees;" by deleting Section 90-183 "Fences, Walls and Hedges;" by amending Section 90-194 "Landscaping Requirements" to revise the requirements for the installation and maintenance of landscaping and open space in the Town; providing penalties for violations of this Ordinance; repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith; providing for inclusion in the Code; and providing an effective date. **VOTE: Carried 4-1 (This Ordinance shall take effect on Monday, January 2, 2006)**

#### **The Town Commission approved the following Ordinances on First Reading:**

3. An Ordinance of the Town of Surfside, Florida, amending Chapter 90 "Zoning," of the Town Code by amending Section 90-92 "Special Exceptions" to provide that the Town Commission may grant a special exception to permit a hedge up to six feet in height on a corner lot which meets certain conditions; repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in

conflict herewith; providing for inclusion in the Code; and providing an effective date. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS (Second reading of this Ordinance will be on Tuesday, January 10, 2006)**

4. An Ordinance of the Town of Surfside, Florida, amending Chapter 2 "Administration," Article V "Employee Benefits," Division 2 "Pension Plan," of the Town Code by amending Section 2-171 "Definitions" to amend the definition of average final compensation for police officers; by amending Section 2-175 "Military Leave" to allow police officer members to purchase up to six years of prior military or law enforcement service; by amending Section 2-176 "Service Retirement Allowance" to provide for normal retirement by police officers upon attainment of age 52 with 20 years of creditable service or the completion of 25 years of creditable service with the Town, to increase the benefit multiplier for police officers, and to increase the total annuity for police officers; by amending Section 2-180 "Contributions by Members" to provide that police officer members shall contribute eight percent (8%) of earnable compensation; by amending Section 2-182 "Vested Rights; Effect of Salary Payments, Deductions for Plan," to provide ten year vesting for police officers; by amending Section 2-189 "Disability Retirement and Retirement Income" to eliminate Social Security and Worker's Compensation off-sets for police officer members; by creating a new Section 2-193 "Deferred Retirement Option Plan" for police officer members; repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith; providing for inclusion in the Code; and providing an effective date. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS (Second reading of this Ordinance will be on Tuesday, January 10, 2006)**

**Also discussed by the Town Commission:**

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## SURFSIDE EMPLOYEES HOLIDAY FUND

It is the pleasure of Town Hall employees to serve, and work, with all the Surfside residents and business owners throughout the year. We wish to acknowledge everyone who so generously contributed to the 2005 Holiday Fund, and extend our sincerest gratitude to the volunteers who comprise the Surfside Employees Holiday Fund Committee **Dorie Lurie** (Chairperson), **Evelyn Jordan** (Vice Chairperson), **Harvey Lisker** (Treasurer), **Rita Lebowitz** (Secretary), and **Commissioner Orestes Jimenez** (Member-at large), for their tireless efforts on our behalf. *We thank you for making our holiday even brighter!*

Reba & Maurice Abraham	Elisa & Spiros Dimitropoulos	Jarry & Anna Krivak	Elio & Dulce Quinones
Bruce & Judith Abramson	Steven Dorfman	Philip & Anne Krupnikoff	Eduardo & Katharina Rabago
Gerald Alexander, M.D.	Faith Doyle	Petteri & Mari Kummala	Pedro & Narcia Rajo
Donald Anderson	Pat & Marianne Durante	Leopoldo & Adelaida Ladaga	Angelina & Virginia-Holly
Isaac & Marissa Arber	Charles & Y.D. Eldredge	Gary & Ann Lampner	Rango
Patricia & Stewart Aronowitz	Edythe Elson	Aida & Araceli Larracoechea	Nestor & Ligia Reyes
Francisco & Lisa Arroyo	Luis & Yita Entenberg	Carmen & Lea	Anthony Rodriguez
Montiano & Trinidad Ascanio	Omar & Thais Ergui	Rita Lebowitz	Boris & Jeanne Rosen
Gloria Asher	Guillermo Donaire & Graciela	Jeff Lehman	S. Rosenberg
Edward & Susana Averbach	Fandino	Jose De Leon	Harold Rosenstein
Ramon & Mercedes Bakalchuk	Carl Fazio	Rose Lesniak	Laudelinia Ruiz
Galen Bakken	Char Feliciano	Sharon Levy	Maria & Jan Rybolowik
Shirley & Pieter Bakker	Raul Ginobal & Mercedes	Stuart & Frances Liberman	Wanda Sommer & Lionel Sacon
Ethel Berens & Thea Joy Barg	Fernandez	Danya Lindenfield	Azzaz & Elian Azaz Samaan
Steven Barnard	Victor & Concepcion Fonseca	Dorie Lurie & Harvey Lisker	Leslie Schiff
Marion & Arthur Baumann Jr.	Ina & Mauri Forsblom	Henrietta Logan	Melvin Schlessner
Karyn Begin, ESQ	E. Frai & Company	Harold Curcuroto & Adela Lopez	John Schor
Reina & Samuel Bejar	Sally & Stephen Frank, M.D.	Robert Lugones	John Hennelly & Lori Scott
Alino Bengio	Barry Friedman	Charles Lunsford	Joseph & Bianca Senker
Maxwell Berger	Fay & Sherry Friedman	Naum & Maria Lusky	Mary & Sidney Silber
Gertrude Dreyfus & Bryna	Herbert & Martha Fuhrman	H. Larry Mager, D.D.S.	Gail & Mark Slatko
Berman	Rebecca Gault	Raquel & Leonardo Maiman	Dr. P.C. Slutzker
Carlos & Maria Bernal	Eva Gerson	Martha Martin	Mitchell & Renee Spector
Stanton M. Bershad, CLU	Adam Gibb	Encarnacion Martinez	Janet Spector
Rene & Rose Betancourt	Martin Gillan IV	Victor & Estrella Maya	Sally Spindel
Margarita Bichachi	Peter & Polita Glynn	John-Owen-Carol Mayo	Leon & Sylvia Steinfeld
Marguerite Von Borsig	Sarah Gold	Mary & Therese McKenney	George & Violet Storer
Theresa Bradman	William Blumenkranz & Dina	Barbara & James McLaughlin	Lisa Anne Strohmeier
Jacob & Linda Brafman	Goldstein	Adrienne Michaels	Judith & Eric Stupel
Leo & Sarah Braun	Barbara Gomez	Sara Hoke & Sheila Miller	Dennis Sullivan
Aram Brazilian Jr.	Julio & Jeanette Gomez	J. L. & Kimberly Millerick	Madeleine Superstein
Mr. & Mrs. Sam Brenner	Bolivar & Elsie Gomez	Arthur Mindes	Israel & Frida Szlapak
Erich & Yvonne Bucher	Fernando & Ana Gomez	Julie & Henry Mitzler	Roberto & Margarita Talavera
Burkett Properties Inc	Karen & Alan Gorme	Yves Colon & Melissa Moonves	Mr. & Mrs. Martin Taplin
Carmen Capote	Robert Grayson M.D. & William	Sergio Morales & Hilda	Christine Taplin
Anarda & Luis Castex	Grayson	Chris & Gabrielle Moscona	Fred & Aarti Taubman
Alberto & Carmen Castiel	Marilyn & Claudio Grinberg	Mark Murphy	Isaak & Ida Tomshinsky
Norma Chacon	Sergio & Sophia Grobler	Paul Novack, P. A.	Robert & Alicia Toth
Miguel & Maria Chailosky	Kaye House - Roberta & Hal	Numark Ventures, Inc.	Albert & Delphine Tricomi
Luis & Magaly Chait	David E. Helmle	David & Doris Obregon	Alberto & Raquel Tuati
Carmen Chait	Beatrice Henowitz	Oscar & Marta Olchuk	Eudelio & Edelmira Varona
John Chavles	Marvin & Marjorie Jacker	Mara & Stephanie Oliver	Manuel & Brenda Viera
Aron & Silvia Cigelman	Mr. & Mrs. Orestes Jimenez	Maria Onichini	Marta & Luis Vildostegui
John Cimo	Marcelle & Roman Jones	Neofit Oprekov	Sophie Vincelli
David & Silvia Cohen	Jeanne Jones	Migdalia Ortega	Daryl & Barbara Wall
David Cohen	Judith's Therapy Corp.	Ralph & Geraldine Ossakow	Manuel & Lucy Weinman
Myer Cohen	Samuel & Lily Jurkevich	Marion Ott	Christine Welstead
Barbara & Louis Cohen	Anna & Emil Keller	Gisela Pallicer	Florence Winter
Alberto Cordoba	Frejda Kerbel	Marilyn Rerecich & John Pardo	Candy Wynn
Michelle d'Antuono	Angel & Jeseфина Kerbel	Nelsa Peix	Alba Maya & Stella Zaldivar
Esteban & Miriam Decalvo	Mitchell Kinzer	Bernard & Hilda Peljovich	Captain Fred & Janie Zaleski
Jose Delfin	Roberta Klein	Julio Adrian Perez-Agramonte	Ricardo & Liliana Zambrano
Diamonds & Co. Enterprises	Robert Krantz	Brenda Barfield & Harry Pernick	Roslyn & Leane Ziff/
Unlimited Inc.	Marisol & Tom Krasner	Nancy & Thomas Pletcher	Warren Zuccone
Florentina & Al Diaz	Elise & Jack Kratish	James Prattas, MD.	
Esther Diener	Paul Krause	Rhalda Prystowsky	

## SURFSIDE HONORS MIAMI-DADE COMMISSIONER SALLY HEYMAN

On Tuesday, December 13th the Surfside Police Department presented Miami-Dade Commissioner Sally Heyman with a Certificate of Achievement and a bouquet of roses in recognition of the continuous support that she demonstrates for law enforcement agencies. She was also the recipient of a Proclamation from Surfside Mayor Timothy Will which thanked her for the sincere commitment she has to the well being of all her constituents.

Commissioner Heyman's criminal justice background makes her acutely aware of the daily dangers faced by police personnel. In fact, Commissioner Heyman's arrival at the award ceremony was delayed because on her way over to Surfside she spotted a suspicious incident in progress and stopped to report the matter to police officials!

Acting Surfside Police Chief Shawn P. O'Reilly told the audience that following Hurricane Wilma, the residents of South Florida's North East Corridor received ice, water and food because of the clear and direct action taken by Commissioner Sally Heyman. Her intervention with FEMA resulted in the *immediate* re-direction of emergency supplies to the Town of Surfside and to the residents of District

Four. Not being one to stand on the sidelines, Sally Heyman unloaded trucks, side-by-side our own police officers!

The office of Commissioner Heyman has generously provided motorized patrol vehicles known as Segways to the police departments in her constituency. During this season of giving, her staff have forgone their holiday bonuses and

instead have donated turkey dinners and supplied bicycles to children and families in need.

The Town of Surfside thanks Miami-Dade Commissioner Sally Heyman for her generous spirit and professional strength. This is a woman who truly serves the people she represents and we are grateful for her leadership.

### HURRICANE WILMA REPAIRS:

#### SURFSIDERS BEWARE OF UNLICENSED CONTRACTORS!

##### Words Of Caution Worth Repeating

In the aftermath of Hurricane Wilma, if you sustained any property damage, please remember to use a licensed contractor for any repairs. This is for the protection of all Surfside residents. It is unfortunate that disaster situations often unleash a myriad of unqualified individuals who will misrepresent themselves to the unsuspecting public as competent in their field, when in fact

they are not licensed or capable of performing the services that they offer for hire.

The Building Department is available to assist you and will make every effort to expedite the permit process. Please do not hesitate to contact the Code Compliance Department at (305) 861-4863 if you have any questions on whether the repairs to your home require a permit.



*Miami-Dade Commissioner Sally Heyman  
and acting Police Chief  
Shawn P. O'Reilly*

### *The Surfside Police Department* *invites all residents to attend a*

### Crime Prevention Workshop

Thursday, January 19, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

#### Guest Speaker: Danielle Gomer

North Miami Police Crime Scene Technician  
(Television Appearances: A & E, Court TV)



**TOPICS: "The Real CSI"**

**&**

**"How to Avoid Becoming a Victim"**

Surfside Municipal Building, 9293 Harding Avenue  
Commission Chambers, 2nd Floor

Light Refreshments will be served.

The evening is generously sponsored by:



9526 Harding Avenue

**Please RSVP: (305) 861-4862 to confirm your attendance**

## SURF-BAL-BAY LIBRARY

### College Financial Aid Information Now Available!



The Library currently has **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** on the Web Worksheets. This Internet site provides students (and parents) all the information necessary to apply, on-line, for Federal and/or State educational financial aid.



**Storytime:** 2nd Tuesday of the month from 10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m., ages 4 and under. The library is closed to the general public at this time, so be sure to knock on the Library door to gain entrance.

### *For your reading pleasure...*

#### Children's Books:

- Martin Luther King, Jr. *by Don McLeese* (Grade level K-3)
- Martin Luther King Jr. *by Diane Patrick* (Grade level 4 and up)
- Deadly Waters *by Gloria Skurzynski* and Alane Ferguson (a National Parks mystery--#4) (Everglades National Park) (juvenile fiction)
- No Laughing, No Smiling, No Giggling *by James Stevenson* (Mr. Frimdimpy is in charge of this book - You have to follow his rules if you want to read this book) (easy reader)
- Marven of the Great North Woods *by Kathryn Lasky*, illustrated by Kevin Hawkes (a true story about a small Jewish boy and a French Canadian lumberjack--how they became friends under the most unusual circumstances) (easy reader)
- Little Women *by Luisa May Alcott* (Don't forget to read a classic!!)



#### Adult Books: Fiction

- Murder at the Washington Tribune *by Margaret Truman* (A Capital Crimes Novel)
- Dead of Night *by Randy Wayne White* (a Florida mystery by a Florida author)

#### Adult Books: Non-Fiction

- Wise Men and Their Tales: Portraits of Biblical, Talmudic, and Hasidic Masters *by Elie Wiesel*
- Mystery of the Nile: The Epic Story of the First Descent of the World's Deadliest River *by Richard Bangs and Pasquale Scaturro*
- Selling Sickness : How the World's Biggest Pharmaceutical Companies are Turning Us All Into Patients *by Ray Moynihan and Alan Cassels*

#### DVDs:

- Last Great Ride (two kids and a dog race for the mob's hidden loot) (family movie)
- Madagascar

#### Videos:

- Mr. & Mrs. Smith (action) • The Terminal (comedy)

*The Library will be closed January 16, 2006 in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday*

# Surfside Homework Helpers

The Surfside Education Committee is proud to announce the return of the **SURFSIDE HOMEWORK HELPERS**, a program in which Surfside middle school students provide homework help to Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor Elementary School students. The project's goal is to assist young children who have been identified by the elementary school's administration

in completing basic math, spelling, language arts, and general homework assignments. The middle school students will develop leadership and civic skills through this structured community service activity.

We are currently enrolling middle school "tutors." Participants must be in seventh or eighth grade, live in Surfside,

have at least a 3.0 academic average, and attend a MANDATORY workshop on Thursday, January 5th. In addition, the "homework helpers" must be willing to commit at least one hour per week from January 2006 - May 2006. Spaces are limited. To enroll or receive additional information, please contact Commissioner Ruben Coto at 305-861-4863 or rcoto@aol.com.

## Commission Highlights

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**Regarding the Community Center,** the Town Commission heard the opinion of Mr. David Wolpin, Attorney with the law firm of Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Pastoriza, Cole & Boniske as to the legal sufficiency of the petition recently submitted by resident Mark Blumstein. The question presented to Mr. Wolpin was whether the petition was legally sufficient for amendment of the Town Charter, which may be submitted to the electors of the Town. In his statement to the Town Commission, Mr. Wolpin opined that the petition as submitted was not legally sufficient to go on the Ballot. *(Mr. Wolpin's complete opinion is available on the Town's website at [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov))*

The Town Manager announced that he was moving forward at the direction of the Town Commission with the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process for an Architect to design the Renovation and Expansion of the Community Center. He noted that the Town received Qualifications from five firms including: BEA International, Inc., URS Corporation-Southern, Borrelli & Partners, M.C. Harry Associates, and the Russell Partnership, Inc. The Town Manager announced that a committee of staff had met with each of the firms and ranked the top three firms as follows: 1. M.C. Harry & Associates, 2. Borrelli & Partners and 3. URS Corporation. He

requested authorization, and it was granted, to negotiate a contract with M.C. Harry & Associates to bring back to the Town Commission for approval.

The departing Town Manager was asked to stay on through the transition period while a contract is negotiated with a new Town Manager. The Mayor announced that several applications were received for the position of Town Manager as a result of the ad placed in the Miami Herald Career Builder and the ICMA Newsletter and ICMA Job Posting on the web. He announced that two candidates from the pool were interviewed individually by the Town Commission. The Town Commission voted unanimously to direct the Town Attorney to negotiate a contract with W.D. Higginbotham for the position of Town Manager.

**Regarding "Good and Welfare" at Town Meetings** – Vice Mayor MacBride addressed the need for more uniform guidelines for the Good and Welfare item on the Agenda citing that he would like to see an extension of the time (from 20 minutes to 30 minutes) and have the residents wishing to speak at a meeting to sign up prior to the meetings. He noted that the current rules allow for only 20 minutes. The Town Commission concurred and directed the Town Attorney to draft a Resolution for the next meeting.

## Mayor's Corner

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determined that our Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) demonstrated a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate the Town's financial story. Our financial report serves as a model for the other 16,000 government reporting finance professionals who belong to the Government Finance Officers Association. Look for details on the Town's website [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov).

The trailers for the temporary relocation of the library are scheduled for delivery at the beginning of this month. The Request for Proposals (RFP) for architectural services to renovate the Community Center was approved and the Community Center project is proceeding without delay.

I would like to give my fondest thanks to Jeff Smolansky for the fine job he did as Town Manager. Join me in wishing Jeff and his family well in their new endeavors.

The past year has been challenging and rewarding. I join the other Commissioners in stating that it has been our pleasure to serve as your leaders. We extend our warmest wishes to all of you for a healthy and happy New Year!

Tim Will

Your Mayor



## Teen Tennis Classes

Wednesday      Ages: 12 - up      January 7 – January 28      6:30 - 7:30 pm  
 Fee: \$12 per 1 class; \$44 per 4 classes. Limit 8 students per class.

## Junior Tennis Classes

Tuesday      Ages: 6 - 8      January 10 - January 31      6:30 - 7:30 pm  
 Fee: \$12 per 1 class; \$44 per 4 classes. Limit 6 students per class.  
 Tuesday      Ages: 9 - 11      January 10 - January 31      7:30 - 8:30 pm  
 Fee: \$12 per 1 class; \$44 per 4 classes. Limit 6 students per class.



## Tiny Tot Tennis Classes

Wednesday      Ages: 5 - 6      January 11 - February 1      7:30 - 8:30 pm  
 Fee: \$12 per 1 class; \$44 per 4 classes. Limit 6 students per class



## NEW PROGRAM!!!

### Intermediate Adult Doubles

This class offers a chance for participants to enjoy an hour and a half of playing time with a tennis professional. Reservations required by Monday prior to the session.

Thursday      January 5 - January 26      7:30 - 9:00 pm  
 Saturday      January 8 - January 29      1:00 - 3:00 pm  
 Fees: (\$12 per event)

*Gift Certificates are available*

*For more information please call the Tennis Center at 305-866-5176*

## Highlights of Home Size and Neighborhood Compatibility Public Workshop

On Tuesday, December 13, a Public Workshop was held to discuss the issue of home size and neighborhood compatibility. Town Planner, Jack Luft explained the current situation to members of the Planning and Zoning Board and workshop attendees. Mr. Luft outlined that in the past ten years home values have escalated, not just in South Florida but around the country. Individuals who pay in excess of \$500,000 for a lot, typically would not want to put a \$100,000 dollar house on the property they have just paid top dollar for. It is only natural that the owner would obviously want to maximize their square

footage and thus, we get the issue of monster boxes being built. These structures, also known as “McMansions”, can overwhelm the surrounding community of more moderately sized homes.

Surfside is fortunate to have the Planning & Zoning Board review documentation for every new home or addition to be constructed. This serves as a safeguard against the potential for McMansion overload. The public workshop identified many techniques of good design, landscaping and materials to help avoid the “box” effect. Further



workshops will be held to develop guidelines that will address this issue. Please refer to the Town Gazette and website [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov) for future meeting dates and times.





### **Arts and Crafts: Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$60 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)**

Join the fun with this instructional Arts & Crafts program for kids. Children will create projects with paper, fabric, and other age appropriate media. Classes are taught by certified teachers. **Program dates are \*TBA**

### **Kidokinetics: GIVE YOUR CHILD THE GIFT OF FITNESS**

**Resident \$64 / Non-Resident \$83 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)**

Kidokinetics is a way to improve and enhance your child's fitness. Each week we work on different sports in a non-competitive setting. This program helps to develop their motor skills and self-confidence. We teach the basic of various sports. Our classes are for boys and girls. **Note: Registration in Progress. Classes will be held at Novack Park (9572 Bay Drive)**

Session I: January 17 - March 7

Tuesday	Ages: 3 - 5	Time: 4:30 - 5:15 pm
Tuesday	<b>New:</b> Ages: 5 - 10	Time: 5:15 - 6:00 pm

Session II: March 14 - May 9 (No Class Tuesday April 11)

Tuesday	Ages: 3 - 5	Time: 4:30 - 5:15 pm
Tuesday	<b>New:</b> Ages: 5 - 10	Time: 5:15 - 6:00 pm

### **Gymnastics:**

**Fees for 3:30 - 4:25 classes Residents \$45/ Non-Resident \$75**

**Fees for 4:30 - 5:40 classes Residents \$55/ Non-Resident \$85**

Come join our gymnastics program taught by certified instructors. Through praise, encouragement and skillful attention, your child will be taught the sport of gymnastics **Program dates are \*TBA**

### **Acrobatics and Tumbling: Resident \$45 / Non-Resident \$75 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)**

Boys and girls 10 and up are invited to join our tumbling and acrobatics class taught by certified instructors. Learn the basics of both tumbling and acrobatics. **Program dates are \*TBA**

## January Game Room Hours



<b>Monday - Friday</b>	<b>2:30 pm - 5:00 pm</b>
<b>Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 am - 5:00 pm</b>



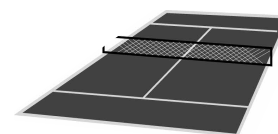
## Surfside Tennis Center

### REGULAR HOURS OF OPERATION:



Monday through Thursday  
Saturday  
Friday and Sunday

4:00 to 10:00 pm  
Noon to 6:00 pm  
Advance Reservation Required



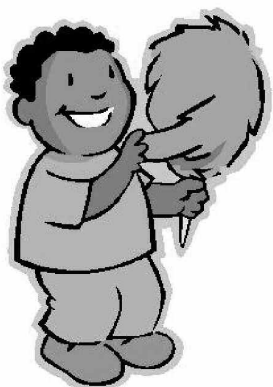


## Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Department



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The Parks and Recreation Department would like you to come to Novack Park with your family for a day filled with Fun, Food, and Entertainment. All Residents should come prepared to show either a Surfside ID or a picture ID with your Surfside Address



**Family Fun Day**  
**Sunday, January 29th**  
**10:00 am - 2:00 pm**  
**Novack Park**  
**96<sup>th</sup> Street and Bay Drive**

- Music from Rhythm City DJ
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Snow Cones
- Orbitron
- Ponies
- Bungee Jump
- Barbecue, Chips and More
- Cold Water and Soft Drinks
- And much more...



For more information contact The Town of Surfside Community Center at 305-866-3635 or visit [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov)





Mayor Tim Will (in scarf & sunglasses) & Vice Mayor Frank MacBride (3rd from left) greet Santa, Mrs. Clause and the "North Pole Parks & Recreation Department" elves during their visit with Surfside children (pictured L to R: Sophy Bohbot, Klara and Anna Strom)



Santa, Mrs. Clause & the "North Pole Parks & Recreation Department" Elves celebrate the holiday season with Surfside Parks & Recreation Dept Director Tim Milian (in baseball cap) & Coordinator Stacie Barrett

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Yes, it's true! It **"Snowed on the Beach"** in Surfside on Sunday, December 11th! Children of all ages had a terrific time climbing and sliding on the "cold stuff". The day was



Surfside kids enjoy "Snow on the Beach"

filled with activities that included games, face painting, arts and crafts, and a visit from Santa, Mrs. Claus and a few elves. Many thanks are extended to Arnie Notkin for his "special services" and to the Parks and Recreation staff and volunteers who did a wonderful job organizing a great holiday event.

### Family Fun Day

Sunday, January 29, 2006

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Novack Park

9572 Bay Drive



### ATTENTION SURFSIDERS:

#### An Important Programming Update

The Parks and Recreation Department will continue to hold scheduled programs. Please refer to the Gazette and website [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov) for program locations, dates and times, or call the Parks and Recreation Department (305) 866-3635 for details.

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Back by popular demand ...  
***“Movie Under the Stars”*** on Saturday, January 21, 2006



**Featured Film: “Cheaper by the Dozen” Rated: PG**

***Novack Park, 9572 Bay Drive***

Park gate opens at 6:30 p.m.; movie will start **promptly at 7:00 p.m.**

Movie is ***free of charge*** for:

Surfside residents & their guests. Proof of residency is required.

Guests must accompany the Town Resident for admission

Hotel Guests are also welcome free of charge, but must present Hotel Identification.

**Programming Note: \*TBA = To Be Announced**

## ***January Programs Surfside Community Center Adult Classes and Programs To Be Announced***

***Yogalates: Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$65 (per person 8 weeks = 8 classes)***

Yogalates integrates exercise from Yoga and Pilates. The results are increased flexibility, stronger core strength, and greater overall power and grace. This is an effective and challenging workout for all ages and fitness levels. **Program dates are \*TBA**



***Yoga: Resident \$20 / Non-Resident \$33 (per person = 4 classes)***

Enjoy invigorating and relaxing yoga classes while engaging in techniques that benefits your mind, body, and spirit. You will learn proper breathing exercises and relaxation methods long associated with this proven ancient tradition. **Program dates are \*TBA**

***Pilates: Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$65 (per person 8 weeks = 8 classes)***

Pilates focuses on core strengthening (abdominals) and helps reshape the body by creating long, lean muscles. It also helps to strengthen the back muscles and increase flexibility. **Program dates are \*TBA**



***Jump Rope: NEW PROGRAM Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$64 (per child 8 week = 16 classes)***

Classes are designed to inspire and motivate physical fitness through jump rope as a lifetime sport. The Beginner Jump Rope Program will be used as a feeder program for the Competitive Jump Rope Team. Appointment to the Competitive Jump Rope Team is by invitation only. **Program dates are \*TBA**

***Beginner Chess Program: Resident \$45 / Non-Resident \$65 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)***

This program is for children that want to learn how to play chess or for children who are familiar with the game and want to improve on their abilities in a fun learning environment.

**Program dates are \*TBA**